



WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF
Natural Resources



**REGION GEOLOGIST
(NATURAL RESOURCE SCIENTIST 3)
PACIFIC CASCADE REGION**

AGENCY MISSION AND CHALLENGE:

The mission of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is to provide professional, forward-looking stewardship of our state lands, natural resources, and environment. The DNR also provide leadership in creating a sustainable future for the Public Lands Trusts. The DNR manages over five million acres of state-owned land, has over 1,300 employees, and operates with a biennial budget of approximately \$400 million. You can find more information about the department at our [DNR Home page](#).

APPOINTMENT TYPE: Permanent, FT

SALARY: \$3,916 - \$5,015 per month
plus a full benefits package

CLOSING DATE: until filled

LOCATION: Castle Rock, WA
Pacific Cascade Region

JOB PROFILE:

As the Cascade Pacific Region's proprietary state lands geologist, this position is responsible for professional geologic and geomorphologic assessments and planning as they are related to proposed forest management activities. Pacific Cascade Region manages over 500,000 acres of forestland, with a timber sales program exceeding 200 million board feet annually. The position provides consulting services and recommendations to field, office, and management personnel on proposed timber sales, forest roads, and other upland management practices and activities related to slope stability, soil erosion and stream sedimentation on state trust lands managed by Pacific Cascade Region. This position writes geotechnical reports according to Washington State Forest Practices standards and provides training to region staff related to identification and description of unstable landforms and processes. This is a field position.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

(Interested candidates will be screened for minimum qualifications)

A Bachelor's degree with a major study in a natural science, AND

Four years-professional work in geology or closely related field.

Licensure as a professional geologist in the State of Washington with a specialty license in Engineering Geology, or sufficient experience to qualify for licensure in Engineering Geology. Licensure must be obtained within six months of employment.

A Master's degree in geology or closely related field will substitute for two years of the required experience.

A Ph.D. degree in geology or closely related field will substitute for three years of the required experience.

DESIRABLE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND QUALIFICATIONS:

- Knowledge of forestry practices;
- Previous work in the evaluation of slope stability problems in forested lands;
- Ability to perform normal skills such as hiking and climbing during all weather conditions and environmental hazards while performing assessments and consultations;
- Ability to work independently and sometimes alone in remote locations;
- Ability to view, interpret, and evaluate various kinds of photos;
- Ability to write and speak clearly and effectively;
- Ability to prepare written reports, memos, forms, records, and field notes;
- Ability to use GIS technologies.

WHO MAY APPLY:

Interested candidates who meet the minimum qualifications. Prior to final selection, candidates will be asked to apply to the register for [Natural Resources Scientist 3](#). Candidates may apply now but must follow the application process below to be considered for this opportunity.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Interested and qualified candidates should submit:

- A **cover letter** (no more than 2 pages) describing your qualifications as they relate to the position (see Position Profile).
- A current **resume**.

E-mail your application materials to Judy Hainline at judy.hainline@wadnr.gov , or mail them to Judy at DNR, PO Box 280, Castle Rock WA 98611. Fax number 360-274-4196.

For more information about this position please contact Jim Hotvedt at 360.274.2005.

E-MAIL responses are preferred, but hard copies will also be accepted. Please submit your package in only one form.

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